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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

1538 McCulloh Street

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH  
**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**  
☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☐ YES RESTRICTED  
☐ YES UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The rowhouse is two bays wide facing McCulloh Street and five bays wide facing McMechen Street. The house is three stories high and has a flat roof.

McCulloh Street Facade

Foundation wall is laid in rusticated stone blocks, and the building wall are laid in stretcher bond. The first story facade of the left bay is punctuated by an entrance recessed into a shallow keyhole porch, both reached by means of seven stone steps. The porch opening is trimmed in rusticated stone and the entrance is a single light flat wood double door surmounted by a flat, single light transom. Either upper story facade of this bay is punctuated by a flat window double hung with one over one lights and accompanied by a brick lintel and rusticated stone sill. This bay is capped with a molded brick frieze and a brick cornice. The other bay facade facing McCulloh comprises a corner tower. Its foundation, first, and second story facades are punctuated by three flat windows. Those punctuating the foundation wall are double light casements with rusticated stone sills and lintels. Those punctuating the upper two story facades are double hung with one over one lights and are accompanied by rusticated stone sills, as are the majority of windows facing McMechen Street. Identical rusticated stone band courses articulate the bay facade between the first and second and second and third story facades. These band courses are contiguous to the windows below them and act as lintels for those windows. The third story of this tower is a porch. Four carved wood posts rest on a shallow brick wall with molded brick decoration to support the painted wood frieze and turretted roof that crowns the tower. The building wall of the porch is punctuated by two flat windows double hung with one over one lights. The tower roof culminates in an iron finial.

McMechen Street Facade

The foundation and building walls are laid in stretcher bond. Fenestration is proportional and symmetrical. Two flat single light casements with rusticated stone sills and brick lintels punctuate the foundation wall. Each story facade of each bay is punctuated by a flat window double hung with two over two lights and accompanied by rusticated stone sills and splayed brick lintel. The one exception to this fenestration is the window punctuating the last bay which is flat, double hung with one over one lights and accompanied by a brick lintel and half arched brick sill. Brick molding caps the building wall.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE****PERIOD**

☐ PREHISTORIC  
☐ 1400-1499  
☐ 1500-1599  
☐ 1600-1699  
☐ 1700-1799  
☒ 1800-1899  
☐ 1900-

☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC  
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC  
☐ AGRICULTURE  
☐ ARCHITECTURE  
☐ ART  
☐ COMMERCE  
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING  
☐ CONSERVATION  
☐ ECONOMICS  
☐ EDUCATION  
☐ ENGINEERING  
☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT  
☐ INDUSTRY  
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE  
☐ LAW  
☐ LITERATURE  
☐ MILITARY  
☐ MUSIC  
☐ PHILOSOPHY  
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION  
☐ SCIENCE  
☐ SCULPTURE  
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN  
☐ THEATER  
☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

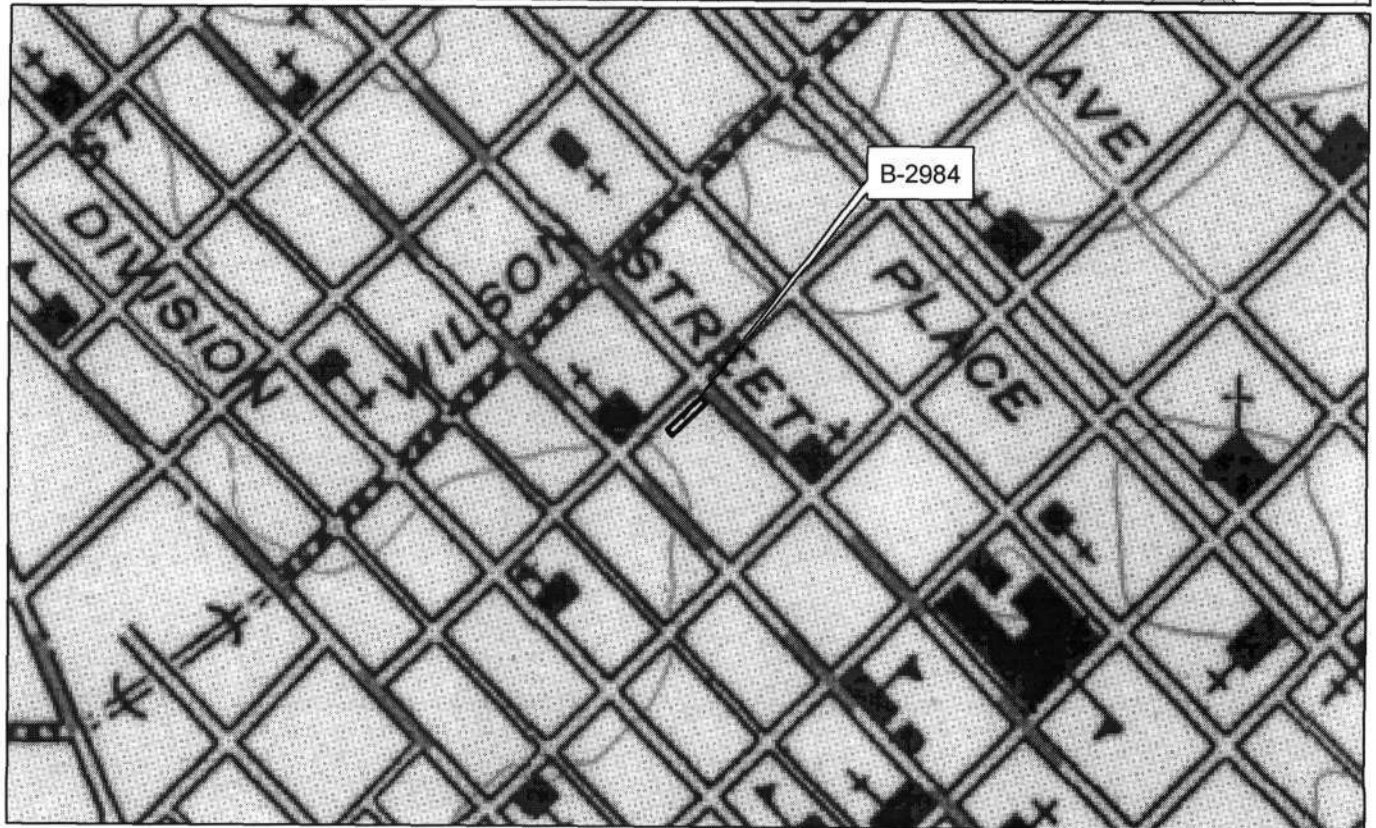
**SPECIFIC DATES**

c. 1890

**BUILDER/ARCHITECT****STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

This building is most notable for its third story porch on the corner tower. The keyhole porch and entranceway and the turreted roof derives from the Richardsonian Romanesque influences of the late nineteenth century. The row of houses on this block have turreted roofs on both the end houses providing strong end points on the streetscape.

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1538 McCulloh Street  
Block 0363 Lots 020  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore West Quad.





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